

Tips for Great Grant Applications

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SHRA Overview

- Administer U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant programs, including the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), on behalf of the City and County of Sacramento.
- Both jurisdictions are entitlement communities meaning they receive annual grants on a non-competitive formula basis from HUD.
- Bring together funding resources and staff expertise to develop and implement creative strategies for affordable housing and community revitalization.
- Fund and implement capital improvement, public service, and housing projects using CDBG funds, County-wide.
- Must primarily benefit low- to moderate-income households and individuals, but some exceptions including:
 - Handicap accessibility
 - Historic Preservation



Our Work in the Delta

- Past
 - Commercial façade revitalization program in Walnut Grove
 - Repaired failing sewer system in Locke
 - Locke Boarding House
 - Locke Fire Suppression System and building stabilization
- Present
 - Bing Kong Tong Building in Isleton
 - Capital improvement projects
- Future
 - You decide?







Project Selection

- SHRA staff work with City and County staff, elected officials, partner organizations, and the community to identify and prioritize potential projects.
- Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)
- Review projects for eligibility, need, impact, timeliness, etc.
- Must meet the goals and priorities of the community.



Tips for Great Grant Applications

- Getting Started
 - Read the Entire Grant Guidelines
 - Make a Checklist
 - Attend to Action Items First
 - Get Help From Others
- Tell the Story/Impact
 - Do You Have the Capacity?
 - Be Realistic and to the Point
- Attention to Detail
 - Quality of the Submittal
 - Review, Read, and Re-read.
 - Submit Early



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